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Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application for:

Title: **INTEGRATED FINANCIAL PROCESSING SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FACILITATING AN INCENTIVE PROGRAM**

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- (X) A copy of The Application, including Specification (46 pages), Claims (5 pages), Abstract (1 page), and a copy of the combined Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by the inventor(s).
- (X) 45 sheet(s) of Formal Drawings.
- (X) Assignment of the invention to Deere & Company, a Delaware corporation.
- (X) The benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of United States provisional application 60/439,572 filed 10 January 2003 is hereby claimed.
- (X) A disclosure statement and Non-publication request.

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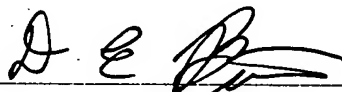
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